Notes. The Japanese today notified the firm from which they rented a combination safe for their papers at the hotel to take out the

safe and render their bill this afternoon. The emperor's reply to the message of M. Witte transmitting the proposition of President Roosevelt had not been received up to noon today and was not expected until tomorrow at the earliest. It is, therefore, likely that there will be no final snow of hands at tomorrow's session of the pientpotentiaries.

# TAFT PARTY AT JOLO.

#### An Elaborate Program Arranged for Their Entertainment.

JOLO, August 18, via Manila, August 21 (delayed in transmission).-Secretary Tart and party arrived here at noon and immediately proceeded to the parade ground to witness an elaborate program arranged for their entertainment. The Sultan of Sulu, with his retinue, and other Moro dignitaries, occupied seats on the grandstand along with Secretary Taft and Miss Roose-

Thousands of Moros, residents of Jolo and from the neighboring islands, were present to take part in the festivities, which were wonderfully picturesque. In the afternoon there were curabao and bull fights of an amusing, but not bloodthirsty char-

Secretary Taft and Miss Roosevelt were presented with many Moro presents by the sultan, who offered his hand in marriage to Miss Roosevelt and would make her sul-tana of the Sulu archipelago, saying that his people desired her to remain among

bathing in the afternoon, Frederick O'Brien, editor of the cable-news, was seized with cramps and the undertow was rapidly carrying him out to sea, when Representa-tive Longworth of Ohio, seeing his peril, started after him and rescued him at the risk of his own life.

### FOR SEPARATE STATEHOOD.

#### Convention Opened at Muskogee, I. T., 200 Delegates Present.

MUSKOGEE, I. T., August 21.-The separate statehood constitutional convention opened here today with nearly 200 delegates, representing the five civilized tribes.

The first week or ten days of the convention probably will be occupied by organizing and appointing committees for the various branches of the work and discussing the main points that should enter into the constitution. The convention probably will then adjourn for a week and reassemble, at which time the committees will report and action on the proposed constitution will be submitted and discussed sepa

Delegates will be allowed to suggest hanges and discuss points freely. will doubtless occupy much time, and the convention may last thirty or even sixty

### FIRED UPON FROM AMBUSH.

#### Fatal Effects of a Feud Battle in Tennessee.

HARRIMAN, Tenn., August 21.-According to information received here, a feud battle occurred yesterday near Alice station on the Queen and Crescent rallroad, a fe wmiles south of Harriman junction, in which Frederick Miller and his son, John Miller, aged twenty-three, and Fred Johnson were killed, and Henry Miller, another son of Fred Miller, aged eighteen, was dangerously wounded. They were fired upon

For more than twenty years a feud war has raged between the Miller and Rawlings It is not known what members of the latter family were engaged in the

#### MISSING CHECKS FOUND. Disappeared With an Employe of a

# Chicago Firm.

CHICAGO, August 21 .- Checks which disappeared with Gus Bobbs, the missing employe of Charles A. Stevens & Brothers, who vanished last Thursday while on his way to the Corn Exchange National Bank to make a deposit for the house, were discovered wrapped in a newspaper in a down town drug store yesterday.

The checks were left at the drug store by a man last Thursday. There was also a bank deposit slip in the bundle, and this fu-dicates that there was \$3,223 in cash in the possession of Bobbs when he left the store of Stevens & Brothers. Not a dollar of currency was in the parcel.

# ARRESTS AT ST. PETERSBURG.

#### University Professors Accused of Preparing Election Material.

Special Cablegram to The Star.

ST. PETERSBURG, August 21 .- P. N. Mulukoff, professor of Russian history in the University of St. Petersburg; Prof T. N. Denissevitch, and eleven others, all identifled with the reform movement, were arrested at their respective residences dast night by the political police, and are now in

The only reason suggested for their arrest is that they are suspected of preparing an election campaign for liberal candidates for election to imperial duma. have created a sensation in St. Petersburg.

# DOCTOR FOR AUTO CLUB.

#### Chicago Organization Inaugurated the Official Surgeon.

CHICAGO, August 21.-The automobile club of Oak Park, a suburb, has taken the precautionary measures of electing a physician as one of the regular officers, and it is not unlikely that other clubs may follow

The "official surgeon" always will be ready with liniment and bandages to care for the members who receive cuts or bruises on their many pilgrimages. He will accompany the club on its "runs," and when it takes part in parades he will be in constant attendance.

## TWO CAMPERS DROWNED.

#### Young Men Jumped Into Water They Thought Shallow.

CHICAGO, August 21 .- A dispatch to the Tribune from Geneseo, Ill., says: Herman Melin of Moline and Ben Brooks of Oseo, camping at Rock river, were drowned yesterday. In company with two young women they went out rowing. Thinking the water shallow they threw the young girls overboard. Scrambling back, the girls threatened to throw the young men out. young men jumped into water fifteen feet deep and were drowned.

# TRAGEDY AT LOS ANGELES.

#### Financier Killed Half Sister and Then Committed Suicide. LOS ANGELES, Cal., August 21.-B. M.

Beebe, a cement financier, today shot and almost instantly killed his half sister, Miss Lottie Beebe, fired four shots at another sister, which failed of their mark, and then turned his weapon upon himself and fired five shots into his breast, dying a short time later. The tragedy occurred at the home of the

Beebes. Beebe objected to his sister's accepting attentions from young men.

# Widow of Noted Benefactor Dead.

MUSKEGON, Mich., August 21 .- Mrs. Julia Hackley died here today after a long illness. She was the widow of the late Charles H. Hackley, a capitalist and lumberman, whose benefactions greatly enriched this city's public institutions

# SIGNIFICANT TALK

Baron Kaneko's Early Morning Conference

WITH THE PRESIDENT

WORD EXPECTED FROM THE CZAR BEFORE NIGHT.

Interesting Interview With Japan's Confidential Agent-Strong Peace Hopes at Oyster Bay.

Special Dispatch to The Star.

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., August 21-Baron Kentaro Kaneko, recognized as the confidential agent of the mikado, arrived here early this morning.

His coming is particularly significant, because when he was here last Friday he stated quite positively that there would be no necessity of his returning to Oyster Bay again. His sudden change of plans was interpreted by optimistic persons to mean that the mikado had decided to reconsider some of the points in regard to which the agreement at Portsmouth was believed to be final, and that Baron Kaneko was carrying a communication to that effect to the President.

It is quite certain that the President also expects to receive today a message from the czar at Peterhof, if he has not While some members of the party were already done so, and by tonight the President will be in possession of pretty definite knowledge as to whether peace can After an hour's conference with the President Baron Kaneko returned to New York, leaving on the 12:20 train.

### Bombarded With Questions.

"I can say nothing. I can say nothing about my mission," he reiterated, in reply to a fusillade of questions. "I wish I could. But when peace comes, then I shall be happy to explain every-

thing. "That's the point," Baron Kaneko was informed. "When is peace to come,

The little Japanese gentleman's face expanded into a smile. "I know nothing more about what is going on at Portsmouth than any one else, he answered. "I get all my news from the newspapers," and with this the baron's

"What is the prospect of Japan being willing to make concessions? "It has been supposed, Baron Kaneko, that your visit here today is a result of the cabinet meeting held in Tokyo yesterday. Is that true?" was the next inquiry.
"I read that there was such a cabinet meeting in the papers," was all the eluci-dation of the subject which the baron would furnish.

smile grew broader than ever.

#### Payment of Indemnity.

"Do you think that if Russia consents to consider the payment of an indemnity, the indemnities will be submitted to The Hague tribunal for determination?"

"The Hague tribunal, why the Hague tribunal?" queried the baron, in his turn, Then in a lull in the conversation the baron broke out, addressing the assembled correspondents:

"There is one thing I wish that you would do for me, you have said that I am the financial agent of Japan in this country. In consequence they charge me in New York city the highest possible price they can. You have cost me a great deal of money." his eyes twinkled, "a great deal of money, indeed. Please be sure to say that I am not the financial agent of Japan, I am no financier. It is true that I have studied financial questions, but I am not a financier like Mr. Morgan or Mr. Schiff. They make money, but I am the kind of a financier that loses money. By calling me a financier you see you have your revenge for my not being able to give you more information."

#### Peace Hopes at Oyster Bay. In the laugh that followed his little speech

the baron joined as heartily as any one else. The hope that the peace conference at Portsmouth will be brought to a satisfactory termination was entertained here this morning stronger than ever. Not only will the intervention of the President, who was in consultation with Baron Rosen at Saga-more Hill on Saturday for an hour and half, add immensely, it is feit, to the pos-sibility of Russia and Japan reaching a basis upon which peace can be concluded but it will also have the result of materially increasing the influence of the United States in the far east.

# COTTON GINNED.

#### Supplemental Report Issued by Census Bureau.

The census bureau today issued a supplemental report on the quantity of cotton ginned from the crop of 1901, showing the total growth for that year as fixed by the ginners to be 13,693,279 bales, counting a round bale as a one-half bale, instead of 13,597,782.

In explanation of these figures the report states as follows: "Census bulletin No. 19, on cotton ginning, issued April 25, 1905, showed that at the time of the March canvas of the cotton ginneries for the data published in that report there remained to be ginned 192,275 bales from the crop of 1904. A canvas made between July 20 and August 5 for the purpose of verifying these estimates showed that 95,497 bales, counting round as half bales, were ginned in excess of the estimates published in April.

# Convicted on Two Charges.

As a result of his meeting with Officer Kleindienst of the first precinct station yesterday, Edward Columbus will spend the next five months in the workhouse, unless he pays a fine of \$35. Such was the sentence imposed by Judge Mills in the Police Court this morning. Columbus was charged with assault on the officer and with disorderly conduct, upon both of which charges he was declared to be guilty.

Officer Kleindienst saw Columbus on the curb of 11th street, apparently waiting for a car. The officer found it necessary to arrest him for disorderly conduct, but upon attempting to do so the man resisted. According to the testimony in court this morning by the officer, Columbus made a strong fight against the officer, ripping his coat up the back and kicking and beating him. Kleindienst used his club and finally overpowered Columbus and placed him under

arrest. Columbus maintained on the stand in the Police Court that he was quietly waiting for a car when the officer came up and tried to put him under arrest. He said he was doing nothing and that the officer beat although he did not resist arrest. him, although he did not resist arrest. Judge Mills, however, was convinced to the

#### Convicted of False Pretenses. Upon a charge of obtaining \$6.50 on false

pretenses, John Smith was a defendant in the Police Court this morning. Judge Mills found him guilty of the charge and ordered him to pay a fine of \$25 or to spend the next two months with Keeper Zingham on the farm. He was committed to the workhouse this afternoon.

According to the testimony, Smith went to Thomas L. Linney, a contractor, and represented that he had worked for Linney a team and that \$6.50 was due for the work and asked for the money. Mr. Linney stated that the team was worked by another man, but Smith met that statement by saying that he was the owner of the team and had let the other man work the team for him. This explanation was satisfactory to Mr. Linney and he paid the money. It was afterward learned that Smith was not as represented, and his ar-

### LOUISVILLE BANK SUSPENDED. Western National Bank Ordered Closed by Federal Authorities.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., August 21.-The Western National Bank of this city was ordered closed by the federal authorities today. The bank's suspension has been anticipated, for on May 20 the bank showed Play on Gullability of People a reserve of only 14 per cent, and its business has fallen off steadly since then in fact, the bank's stock has within the last few days fallen from 107 to as low as 35. President T. L. Jefferson of the bank, in statement said the bank's failure is due simply to overloans and shrinkage in de-

The Western National Bank until about a year ago was known as the Western Bank, a state institution doing a small business. At that time W. B. Smith, the owner of a number of banks in Indiana, acquiring control of the Western Bank. Its capitalization was increased to the legal amount required and the name changed to Western National Bank. W. B. Smith became president of the bank and remained in that office until July 10 last, when he was succeeded by T. L. Jefferson. The bank's business never has been large and has suffered a gradual falling off recently owing to adverse criticism.

The doors of the Western National Bank of Louisville, Ky., were closed this morn-ing by order of the controller of the

A statement issued by the acting controller of the currency says:
"An examination of the bank by Bank Examiner Garrett showed that its capital was badly impaired by losses. Steady withdrawals have been made for several days, and as there was not sufficient funds n hand or immediately available to meet further demands likely to be made by de positors and other creditors, the acting controller directed the bank to be closed in order to protect the interests of all creditors alike, and prevent those having knowledge of conditions securing preference over those without this knowledge. Thomas M. Thornton has been appointed

eceiver. "The Western National Bank is comparatively a new association, having been hartered October 29, 1904, to succeed the Western Bank of Louisville. W. B. Smith was president and T. L. Jefferson cashier of the bank." The following is a statement of the re-

sources and liabilities of the bank as

shown by the last report of condition May 29, 1905: Resources—Loans and discounts, \$1,299,-324; overdrafts, \$5,211; United States bonds secure circulation, \$50,000; stocks, securities, etc., \$10,095; banking house and other real estate, \$28,044; due from banks and bankers, \$254,781; cash and cash items, \$74,932; redemption fund, \$2.500; total, \$1,-

Liabilities-Capital stock, \$300,000; undivided profits, \$7,143; circulation, \$50,000; due to banks and bankers, \$260,413; de-posits, \$1,070,810; notes and bills rediscounted, etc., \$36,522; total,, \$1,724,889.

### POLAND RESENTS TREATMENT.

### General Strike Proclaimed Against Disregard of Rights.

WARSAW, Russia Poland, August 21.-A general strike has been proclaimed throughout Poland as a protest against the disregard of the rights of the Poles in the scheme for representation in the national assembly.

The strike began here today. Employes of the Vistula railway quit work and many trains were left standing at intermediate stations. Eighty socialists carrying arms, while attempting to enter the city, were op-posed by a detachment of Cossacks. Eight

of the socialists were killed and the othrs arrested. Employes of factories at Warsaw, Lodz and Poblance have joined the strike. Be-sides the Vistula railway, the Terespol line and the light railways have been compelled to suspend service.

### SCHOONER ON A SHOAL.

#### Mate Drowned While Trying to Save His Effects.

CHATHAM, Mass., August 21.-The coalladen schooner M. C. Haskell, bound from Ne York to Rockland, Me., ran on Handkerchief shoal during thick weather last night. Mate Nelson Taunsen of Rockland was drowned. Capt. Winfield and the other members of the crew reached shore in their own boats today.

The vessel struck on the shoal at low tide and when the tide turned she rolled over and sank. Mate Taunsen was in the cabin trying to

save his effects when the vessel capsized. The sea rushed into the cabin and Taunsen was caught in the trap and drowned.

# CIRCUS FOLKS STRANDED

#### Pitiable Condition of Employes at Grenoble, France.

PARIS, August 21.-The foreign office has advised the American embassy regarding the pitiable condition of 250 employes of Lodge, Colored Knights of Pythias of North MacCaddon's American circus, who have been stranded at Grenoble since August 10. | lia, the Hawaiian Islands and the West In-The Grenoble authorities sought to sell the dies, convened here today. The organization horses, vans and other property of the circus for the purpose of caring for the desti-tute Americans, but the customs officials declined to permit the sale, owing to the fact that bonds had been given for the return of the property to the United States.

Henry Vignaud, the American charge d'affaires and John K. Gowdy, the American consul general, are co-operating with a view to relieving the stranded persons.

# SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS.

#### Meeting of Important Committee in Boston Today. BOSTON, August 21.-Members of the

central committee of the International Sunday School Association and of the interna tional executive committee of the association are gathering here for a meeting at Clifton this week. The central committee The National Croatian Society Asks will consider plans for extending the work in the international field, and the executive committee will make preliminary arrange ments for the third triennial world's day school convention, which is to be held in Rome in 1907.

Among the propositions to be taken up by al committee are the The appropriation of \$100,000 for extend work; the appointment of new se cretaries; the development of undertakings in Mexico, Japan, the West Indies, the western part of the United States and among the negroes in the south. The first session will be held tomorrow evening and the sittings will continue through Friday.

# INTERNATIONAL CHESS.

#### Play in Masters' Tourney Resumed at Barmen, Germany.

BARMEN, Germany, August 21 .- Play in the international chess masters' tournament was resumed today, the players being paired for the seventh round. Only one game had been concluded during the morning session, that between Marshall of Newark, N. J., was found dead today and Janowski. This was won by Janowski.

Panama Employes Returned. NEW YORK, August 21.-Panama canal employes comprised sixty-two of the eighty passengers coming today on the steamer Finance from Colon. The majority of them were laid off because of temporary abandonment of work on the Culebra division.

Murderer Hanged at St. Louis. ST. LOUIS, August 21.-Henry Heusack, convicted of the murder of his brother-inlaw, August Raphael was hanged today in the rear of the city jail.

#### Cleveland Suspends Vinson. Special Dispatch to The Star.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, August 21.-Outfielder Ernest Vinson of the Cleveland team was today suspended for the balance of the season for misconduct off the field. The club owners charge that Vinson has utterly failed to keep himself in condition to play ball, and they say that the suspensi would have come much earlier but for the crippled condition in which the team has

# SWINDLERS IN SPAIN

BEPORT BY AMERICAN MINISTER AT MADRID.

America—How Scheme

Works.

The American minister at Madrid has

made to the Department of State an inter

of swindlers in Spain by whom, for a num-

ber of years past, a large number of Amer-

ican citizens have been victimized, notwith-

standing the repeated warnings issued to

The swindle consists in the dispatch of

letters from a person in Spain, who repre-

sents himself as the son of a distant rela-

tive of the person to whom the letter is

sent. While there is an occasional slight

variance in the stories, almost invariably

acquired an immense fortune in an honesi

manner, but to be the victim of persecu-

tlor, by powerful enemies, who have caused

his arest and imprisonment. His property

frequently stated to be as \$500,000, is al-

ways represented as being in securities

which have been hidden by him, generally

in the secret drawer of a trunk which has

been seized by the police authorities, who

ignorant of the papers hidden in it, will

police to capture him. He declares that he

has left to the recipient of the letter, or

condition that he accept the guardianship

of the daughter and offers her a home unti

Interest of Priest.

the prison chaplain, has taken an interes

through the priest as an intermediary, he

is able to send the letter, and the writer

requests that the answer to his letter be

inclosed in an envelope addressed to the

duction to the swindle. In it no request for money is made. It is a letter cal-

culated merely to arouse the cupidity of the

recipient and at the same time to impress

upon him the necessity of secrecy. If a reply is received (and the fact that the

years shows that hundreds of replies mus

be received, others follow until finally one

comes from the alleged priest, written upor

stationery with a letter heading with a cross and sometimes with a forged paroch-

ial seal, announcing the death in prison of the writer of the first letter, and the ap-

pointment of the priest as executor of the

will, in which the child is named as prin-

cipal legatee, but in which the American relative to whom the letter was sent is

named as guardian and as a legatee. There

is also invariably inclosed that which ap-

pears to be a newspaper clipping telling of the death of the prisoner, also giving some fact which to the reader is corroba-

tory of the report of vast wealth, and al

daughter who is in despair until she can

learn whether American relatives will re-ceive her into their homes. In addition a

forged, but bearing revenue stamp, notorial

perfectly executed that they resemble the originals very decidedly, are inclosed. These papers consist of the reputed will of the

deceased, letters of guardianship, letters

testamentary, etc., all tending to confirm

the false statements made in the earlier letters. However little excuse there is for

being deceived by the first letters which

are received, the subsequent documents

are so authentic in appearance that any one might, without appearing credulous,

give full faith to them.

After the party has been convinced of the

existence of the property, etc., a request is

made for money to pay court expenses, or to release the trunk with its valuables from

attachment, or to pay the traveling ex-

penses of the orphan child to America, or

COLORED K. OF P. CONVENTION.

Biennial Session of Grand Lodge

Opened at Pittsburg.

PITTSBURG, Pa., August 21.-The thir-

teenth biennial session of the Supreme

and South America, Europe, Asia, Austra-

was formed forty-two years ago as an off-

shoot of the white fraternal society of the

It has a membership of over 60,000 per-

sons, in which are included many of the

leading educators, professional and other-

wise prominent men and women of the

race. It has its own Supreme Lodge; its di-vision of the Uniform Rank and its Supreme

Court of Calanthe, a woman's auxiliary. All three bodies will be in session simultaneous-

Today was largely devoted to executive

sessions. On Friday supreme officers will be elected and the location for holding the

next blennial convention will be selected. Elaborate arrangements have been perfect-

APPEAL TO THE COURTS.

for a Receiver.

CHICAGO, August 21.-The United States

courts have been appealed to for the ap-

pointment of a receiver for the National

Croatian Society of the United States, a

The receivership proceedings are the result of internal disagreements which threat-

Body Believed to Be Missing Woman.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., August 21.-The

body of a woman, believed to be that of

Mrs. Susan Roddy of Philadelphia, who has been missing since entering the surf on July

23, was found today in the ocean at At-

lantic City by a life guard. The body was badly decomposed, but answers the de-

Found With Bullet Hole in His Head.

ALBANY, N. Y., August 21 .- With a re-

volver in his hand and a bullet hole

on the highway between Albany and

Troy. Hild has been missing since Au-

body. He was thought to have been slightly demented. There is no suspicion

Boston National Club Incorporated.

is \$450,000, but as yet nothing has been

paid in. The club was purchased several

months ago by Frank V. Dunn of this city.

Mr. Dunn was not in Boston today. It is

believed, however, that the incorporation of the property in Maine is in line with

the new

age of sixty-four, Marine Society.

the new owner's plans for the develop-ment of the club. Heretofore the club has operated under a Massachusetts char-

Fourth Earl of Romney Dead.

LONDON, August 21.-Charles Marsham,

fourth Earl of Romney, died today, at the

BOSTON, August 21 .- The Boston Na-

through his head, Joseph Hild, a butcher

scription of the missing woman .

en the existence of the association.

y from August 21 to 26 inclusive.

ed for entertaining the members.

fraternity insurance society.

for some other purpose.

same name.

This first letter is but the intro-

in him and the little daughter; that

He always represents that a worthy priest,

by the government.

the writer represents himself as having

the public by the department.

esting report on the operations of a band

YOUNG WALSH'S FUNERAL Simple Services Held at Newport, R. I.

Today. NEWPORT, R. I., August 21.-Simple fu neral services over the body of Vinson F. Walsh, who was killed in an automobile ac- Officials Entered Upon Fifth cident here last Saturday, were held today at Beaulieu, the summer home of Thomas F. Walsh, the father of the dead boy. The only persons present were Mr. and Mrs. Walsh, Mr. and Mrs. Rickertson of Washington, P. F. Collier and Mrs. James Ker-

ochan and Marshall Kernochan, all close friends of the Walsh family. Mrs. Kernochan is the mother of Mrs. James Kerno chan, who was injured in the accident.

The services were conducted by Rev.
Walter Lowrie, rector of Trinity Episcopal
Church. At the conclusion of the religious to Island cemetery, where it was entombed after a brief service. Mr. and Mrs. Walsh were accompanied to the cemetery by the friends who were present at the house.

Mr. and Mrs. Walsh will take the body to

Washington for burial when they can leave their daughter, Miss Evelyn Walsh, who was seriously injured Saturday. With the exception of Miss Evelyn Walsh all the others, who were injured in last Saturday's accident, were doing well today. Miss Walsh continues to suffer severe pain from her fractured leg, but aside from this ner condition is unchanged. Arrangements have been made for X-ray photographs to be taken of the injured parts, in order that he physicians may more accurately determine the nature of the fracture. The doc tors say that Miss Walsh has recovered from the shock of the accident, and no com-plications are now expected. The fracture will keep the young woman in bed several

#### release it upon payment of costs of pro-cess The writer invariably represents him-self as having lost his wife, and as being DARING ROBBERY IN NORFOLK. left with an only daughter whom, because of the disgrace attaching to his name, he Burglars Secured \$644 in Cash Last desires to send to America to be placed under the protection of the "relative" to whom the letter is addressed. He also states that I e is in a grievous condition of Night. Special Dispatch to The Star.

NORFOLK, Va., August 21.-A darhealth, usually caused by wounds received by him while resisting the efforts of the ing robbery occurred in Berkley last night when burglars broke into the residence of has made a will leaving all his property to his child except a portion of it which he E. J. Winborne, a collector for Childrey & Metts. Norfolk insurance agents, and stole from a desk in Mr. Winborne's bed chamber over \$644 in cash, of which \$300 was his personal property, the remainder belonging the reaches her majority or marries. He declares that his possession of the enor-mous fortune mentioned is unknown to any to his firm. Winborne and his wife were asleep in bed at the time and believe that one, and that the greatest secrecy must be observed in order that no one shall learn they were drugged. The thieves entered the house and opened the desk where the of it, otherwise it would be appropriated money was with false keys. There is no

Friends of Edward Willcox, aged twentysix years, who left here last Monday in the oyster sloop Julia B. for the Rappahannock river, today asked that search be made for him. Willcox has not been heard from since he left home, and fears are felt for his safety.

Information received here today from Bishop A. Cooke Smith of Norfolk, now ill in Asheville, N. C., was to the effect that the bishop is improving and was able to sit up in bed this morning and tell jokes about himself.

### Forfeits His Collateral.

Officer Green of the fourth precinct station made the arrest on Saturday night of William J. Davis upon a charge of larceny from th ePotomac, Baltimore and Washington railway. Davis was taken to the station house and there left \$20 collateral for his appearance in the Police Court this morning to answer the charge of larceny. There was no response when the case was called this morning and the money was declared forfeited to the District.

Through the complaint of the railroad officials it came to the knowledge of Officer Green that some one was taking castings from the rallroad yards, and the officer deermined to watch for a repetition of the larceny. While he was on guard, the police say, Davis drove a wagon against the fenc and after throwing the castings through the fence was loading the wagon when the offi-cer appeared. The castings which Davis was charged with stealing were valued at

## Causes No Surprise

The report that the Venezuelan government was making extensive purchases of war materials, including torpedo boats, was no surprise to the State Department officials. It has been known for some time past that such purchases were being made by Venezuela, and it is even known that bids were sought in the United States. No comment is made upon the action of Venezuera further than to say that there are no restrictions on any country in the mat-

ter of purchasing arms and armament. Neither Minister Russell nor Special Agent Calhoun has reported his arrival in Venezuela to the State Department, although ress cables show that both have reached that country. No information has reached the State Department to justify the belief that President Castro will in any way impede the investigation which Judge Calhoun s to make of the asphalt controversy.

Industrial Home School Changes. Changes at the Industrial Home School have been reported to the Commissioners by the board of charities as follows: Julia Forest, cook, vice Lizzle Nash, resigned, at salary of \$18 per month: Henrietta Diggs. housemaid at \$12 per month, vice Ella Bevelton, discharged; Lucy Dyson, housemaid, at \$12 per month, vice Mattle Fitz-hugh, resigned, and the temporary appointment of Dela Harvey as supply engineer during the vacation of the regular incum-

# Proposed Amusement Enterprise.

Application was made at the District building today for a license to conduct an amusement enterprise in the old Empire Theater building, at the corner of 9th and C streets northwest. The application will be acted upon by the building inspector, the inspector of electric wiring and the chief of the fire department before it is determined whether the license can Issue.
It was intimated that considerable repair work will be necessary before the building can be made to meet the requirement of

#### the regulations. Fourth-Class Postmasters.

The following fourth-class postmasters were appointed today: Maryland-Ironsides, Bradford David. New Jersey-Beaver Run, Harry M.

New York—Colton, P. E. Beswick. Pennsylvania—Fisherville, John C. Bixler; Laanna, Stewart Brodt.

# Gen. Wood Here.

Major Leonard Wood is stopping at the New Willard. He called at the War Department today and advised the acting Secretary of War, Major Gen. Bates, that he is now almost entirely restored to his usual health and expects to return to the Philippines early next month. Docketed in Supreme Court.

The case of Sidney Turner Dyer and her husband, Elisha Dyer, jr., of New York. agt. the mayor, city council and burnt disgust 10, when he left home with \$125 in his pocket, without mentioning his des-tination. Only 5 cents was found on the trict commission of Baltimore, was today docketed in the Supreme Court of the United States. It involves the application of the state law creating the commission and authorizing the condemnation of property for wharf and dock purposes. Real estate in the vicinity of Jones' Falls belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Dyer has been des ignated for condemnation by means which they claim to be contrary both to the state law and the national Constitution. tional Club has been incorporated at Bath, Maine. The announced capital stock

Appeal to Supreme Court.

annual conference has appealed to the Su-

preme Court of the United States a case

The hoard of education of the Kentucky

involving the right of the Illinois state authorities to collect the inheritance tax imposed by that state when church property is involved. The property in this case consists of a part of a business block in Chicago, which was devised to the conference by a Mrs. Speed. The tax levied amounts to \$6,280. The circuit court for the northern district of Illinois held the law to be ap-plicable, but the church people contend that under the federal Constitution the property

# HOPE AT NEW ORLEANS

# Week of Campaign

# AGAINST YELLOWFEVER

PASSING OF THE CALAMITY DUE LARGELY TO EFFICIENT WORK.

Plague Under Control, but Date for Final Eradication Not Fixed-Latest Figures.

NEW ORLEANS, August 21.-Full of hope the federal and local authorities and the public in general entered today upon the fifth week of the campaign against yellow fever, which is now considered to be beyond the stage when a serious epidemic

Dr. Beverly Warner, head of the volunteer forces, who has been in close touch first with the local authorities and then with the federal, says that the decrease in the mortality, as shown by the reports, is unprecedented, and the situation is rapidly

coming under control. Dr. Warner said the passing of the calamity was due in a large degree to the spiendid work of the marine hospital service. He said that the daily record given out by the service was a true one. Nothing has been suppressed, and truth and pub licity have proved to be of the greatest benefit. Dr. Warner said that in the future he would protest with all his might

Fever Under Control. While the federal authorities now have no hesitancy in saying that the fever is under control, they are not ready to fix a date when it will be stamped out. The life of a stegomyla mosquito is perhaps two months, and as here and there a stray infected mosquito is sure to avoid all the pit-falls laid for its destruction, sporadic cases

against the suppression of any health news.

will doubtless appear after the disease is entirely under control.

Dr. White is expected back today from Mobile, whither he went to consuit the health authorities there in connection with the matter of the movement of freight from New Orleans. There is great satisfaction over the announcement that Alabama will place no bars against the shipment of merplace no bars against the shipment of mer-chandise, provided that the cars which carry it have been disinfected for the purpose of destroying mosquitoes.

The acknowledgment of Alabama authorities that freight itself will not carry infection is expected to have an excellent effect

on the attitude of other states, and it is anticipated that Dr. White will be selected to use his influence in this direction with Mississippl and Texas. In this connection, while Alabama is showing evidences of saulty in the treatment of the situation, the Texas authori-ties continue to put into effect every week severer rules, until now it requires eleven days' detention to get into Texas.

## The Forty-Five New Cases.

In the forty-five new cases in the preceding twenty-four hours, four were found in one family and three in another. A new case has appeared in the Frency asylum on St. Ann street. A number of Norwegians and Swedes have been included in the lists of new cases recently, most of them being sailors. Quite a number of the forty-five the old district. The federal authorities twenty-five days after it is cured or died. If no new cases appear in that time the louse is considered non-infected. Arrange ments are now being made to arrange complete list of non-infected houses.

The marine hospital is now considering the matter of establishing a detention hospital here independent of the Emergency Hospital. The idea is to place it in families whose homes may be infected, sending the patient to the emergency and the well members to the detention hospital. In that rapidly cleared of infection. This is intended especially to meet the

#### situation in foreign neighborhoods where the population does not yield readily the regulations. Fever at Other Points.

Lafayette and Alexandria are now free of fever, patients there having recovered. The announcement of Dr. Guitenas that the second case at Rayne is not yellow fever has had a reassuring effect on the people in that town and in the surrounding country. Crowley, which has slapped on the quarantine against Rayne, is preparing to raise it. No new points in the state out-

side of New Orleans were reported infected today. With four deaths during the night there was an indication of a slight increase in the number of deaths for today, though no likelihood that the maximum for a day

during the present fever would be reached. There were no developments of consequece during the day. Dr. White returned from Mobile, where he had a satisfactory conference with the

of freight out of New Orleans.

Among the deaths today is one in the French asylum on St. Ann street, where a number of cases have been reported, and one in the Marine Hospital in the upper portion of the city, the latter case having been reported last week. The camp at Slidell has been closed. No accommodation was made by the federal authorities to board those detained, and

Alabama officials concerning the movement

the private arrangements proved unsatisfactory. It is probable the government will establish a camp of its own there similar to Camp Wyman.
The state board of health today decided to send three nurses to Riverside planta-tion, in St. Mary, where there are about

# Case Reported at Gregory, Mo.

KEOKUK, Iowa, August 21.-A case of yellow fever is reported from Gregory, Mo., eleven miles south of Keokuk. A Greek laborer on railroad construction has been quarantined, his case being pronounced yelow fever. He came from Natchez, Miss., a few days ago with a party of workmen.

Surgeon General Wyman of the public health and marine hospital service today received a telegram from Past Assistant Surgeon Goldberger, dated at Alexandria, La., and saying that no new cases of yel-low fever had developed at that place. He added that inspection and fumigation were being pushed.

# MORGAN PROMOTED.

Astronomical Director of the Morrison Observatory. Computer Herbert R. Morgan of the

naval observatory has been appointed astronomical director of the Morrison observatory of Pritchett College, Glasgow, Mo. This action has been taken on the retirement of Prof. C. W. Pritchett, founder and head of the observatory, which was endowed thirty years ago by Miss E. Mor-Mr. Morgan has been connected with

the naval observatory since 1901. He came here from McCormick observatory, University of Virginia, where he was associated four years as fellow of as-tronomy, and took his degree of doctor of philosophy the same year he received his appointment at the naval observatory. Mr. Morgan had the advantage of the tuition of the famous Prof. O. Stone at the McCormick observatory.

### HOTEL GUESTS IN A PANIC. Fright Over Fire in Philadelphia in

Adjoining Buildings. Special Dispatch to The Star.

PHILADELPHIA, August 21.-Hundreds of guests of the Bingham House, at 11th and Market streets, were thrown into a panic by fire in adjoining buildings early is exempt because owned by the church. gowns and men in pajamas of variegated approximate \$130,000.

colors rushed pell mell into the first corridor and out into the street. The excitement was enhanced by the fainting of two

women as they reached the sidewalk. The fire, which originated in the fourth floor of the building at 1022 Market street. occupied by the Alman Manufacturing Company, completely wrecked that floor and the one above, which was occupied as store rooms for the firm below. The Altman company was the only one to suffer by the fire, the chief damage being done by water.

After the firemen arrived the guests were assured that the hotel was in no danger, and the majority went back to their rooms. The firemen encountered considerable dif-ficulty in getting to the fire, being forced to break in heavy doors on each floor before they could reach the heart of the flames. It was half an hour before the flames were under control.

# Stealing a Newspaper.

James W. McFarland was fined \$5 in the that a crusade will be made against such

Their acts have the effect of casting sus picion upon innocent parties who the city papers, and cause endless annoyance. It is believed that if the courts will adopt the rule of imposing severe sentences upon such offenders the custom of stealing papers will be broken up.

#### J. J. Forney, Proprietor of St. James Hotel, the Victim. Special Dispatch to The Star.

He had been despondent from stomach trouble and pains in the head for months. REAL ESEATE TRANSFERS.

COLUMBIA HEIGHTS-Percy H. Russell et ux. to Charles H. and Rebecca S. Hall, lot 55, block 20; \$10.

et ux. to Emma P. Hungerford, lot 14, lock 4; \$10. PETWORTH-J. F. McCormick et ux to Henry E. P. Baden, lot 17, square 19;

# Drew Money Not His Own.

Charged with taking the pay of another spend the next two months on the farm on

the order of Judge Mills. party. That was done by Detective who also recovered a good part of the

You knew you had not been working that week, didn't you?"

That convinced the judge and he imposed the sentence of \$29 or sixty days on the

# farm.

Frank Walker, a passenger on a Columlice Court this morning. When the case was called there was no response and the money was credited to the District,

To Have Coat-of-Arms. sized ditch, with high lights in the background. The motto "The Earth Divided; the World United," runs around the lower

the next thirty days. The J. E. Whitfield Company reported to the police that they had recently lost some goods and they asked that detectives be sent there to discover the guilty party. Detectives Hartigan and Baur were sent to the store and after their investigations. they arrested Slater, one of the employes of the store, with proof that he had stolen two hams. He admitted his guilt and had

# Ocean Liner Movements.

nothing to say.

land, from Antwerp. PLYMOUTH, August 21.-Arrived: Kaiser Wilhelm II, from New York.

From the Lahore Tribune. A very strange case has been filed by the police before the first class magistrate and mukhtyarkar of Hyderabad (Sind). Some time ago at the village of Chhato Machi lumps of clay began to drop from the ceilings of all the houses. No human agency could be detected, so the villagers oncluded that it was the doing of evil spirits. The annoyance caused was so great that they left the village in a body and set-tled in the neighborhood. After a few days a fakir was brought in who said he would ing the roofs of some of the houses and

ments, cash, etc., in the village should be but in a grain stack and a vessel of water placed over the stack. He would ther repeat certain incantations and pour libations toward the village and the spirits would take flight. The fakir then distributed some sweets to all the people, men, women and children. In a few minutes all the people fell into a profound sleep which lasted

Governor Douglas of Massachusetts says he will do everything possible to assist the state militiamen who served during the Spanish war who have unpaid claims

# FINED FOR THEFT.

# James W. McFarland Convicted of

Police Court this morning for the larceny of a newspaper. Many complaints have been made by route agents of newspaper offices of the larceny of papers after they had been left at houses, and the police were asked to watch for the violators. McFarland was caught yesterday in the act, it is said, of taking a paper from W. A. Fay, and Officer Long arrested him. It is stated

offenders in the city.

### SUICIDE IN PHILADELPHIA.

CAMDEN, N. J., August 21 .- John J. Forney, proprietor of the St. James Hotel, Philadelphia, committed suicide in the suburbs of Camden shortly before noon today.

NO. 1308 RIGGS STREET NORTHWEST-Edward N. Richards et ux. to Frank J. Hogan, lot 106, square 239; \$10.

MOUNT PLEASANT AND PLEASANT PLAINS-Lewis E. Breuninger et ux. to Edward B. Eynon, jr., lot 185; \$10. ONGRESS HEIGHTS-Arthur E. Randle

man of the same name, when he knew that he had no pay coming to him, James Mitchell was arrested by Precinct Detective Estes of the tenth precinct station and brought into the Police Court this morning. He was found guilty of the larceny of \$9.30 and will

Mitchell worked formerly for the District Construction Company, but has not been employed recently. It is alleged that last Saturday he went around to where the men were being paid off and waited. When the name of another man of his name who was working for the company was called Mitchell, the defendant, responded. He was known to the paymaster, and he thought that he had returned to work and gave him the money. It was soon discovered that the pay had gone to the wrong man, and the po lice were asked to locate the guitty

my name I thought that the money was for me," said the defendant on the stand.

sistant District Attorney Given.

# Failed to Appear for Trial.

bia car near the District line in the northeast section, yesterday afternoon expressed a desire to fight some of the other passengers on the car, it is alleged, and the conductor stopped the car and put him off. He was taken into custody by Sergt. Russell of the ninth precinct station and conveved to the station house, where he left \$20 collateral for his appearance in the Po-

The government of the isthmian canal zone is to have a coat-of-arms, according to an announcement made at the offices of the canal commission today. The design is now receiving its finishing touches. Its principal figure is a full-rigged Spanish galleon sailing majestically through a good-

# it says, "Government of the Canal Zone

Had Nothing to Say. William A. Slater pleaded guilted this morning to a charge of larceny, when he was arraigned in the Police Court. As a result he will be employed on the farm for

# NEW YORK, August 21.-Arrived: Zee-

Martial Law Declared. MILAU, Russia, August 21.-Martial law has been declared throughout the Baltic province of Courland.

## Robbed By Magic.

some of the trees dried cocoanuts and sugar began to fall in abundance on the ground, which were distributed.

The fakir then directed that all the orna

about three days. The ornaments and cash were, of course, removed by the fakir, who has disappeared.